

# DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING IN SHELBURNE

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## ABOUT ME

- I joined the Department of Diagnostic Imaging at Headwaters in 2009. I have filled different roles within the organization including Lead Radiologist in the Ontario Breast Screening Program (OBSP) and General Medical Staff Executive, MAC, and Hospital Board.
- I have been involved in numerous quality initiatives bringing up-to-date medical care in the department of medical imaging including ultrasound and mammography.
- I finished my residency training at the University of Toronto and a fellowship in women's imaging. I am dual certified by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons (Canada) and the American Board of Radiology.
- I have held multiple board positions each for several years. Current and past organizations include The Mississauga Food Bank, Anba Abraam Coptic Charity, Provincial and Federal political local riding boards.

# INTRODUCTION

To better serve the community, of Shelburne. I would like to propose partnering with the Town of Shelburne to provide Diagnostic Imaging Services (Ultrasound and X-Rays) potentially at the Mel Lloyd Center in Shelburne.



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## WHY THE CHANGE NOW?

- Due growing population there is a significant demand for diagnostic imaging that the residents of Shelburne must travel outside the community to perform these tests.
- Increasing population in Shelburne with changing demographics at both ends of the spectrum including the elderly and young families.
- Currently Shelburne does not have a local outpatient Diagnostic Imaging site. Shelburne patients access Diagnostic Imaging services in:
  - Orangeville
  - Alliston
  - Tottenham
  - Markdale
  - Fergus





## DATA ANALYSIS

- The data that was obtained in 2019 show that there were approximately 2,900 test ordered by local physicians (DAFHT) for North Dufferin patients.
- Expectation of growth about 5-10% per year.

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## INDEPENDENT HEALTH FACILITY ACT – RELOCATION REGULATIONS (JUNE 2021)

Section 10 of the Independent Health Facilities Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. 1.3 (IHFA) provides:

1. An operator of an independent health facility who wishes to relocate the facility shall apply to the Director for approval of the relocation in advance of the relocation.
2. The Director may approve the relocation subject to such conditions as he or she sees fit to impose.
3. The Director may require such information of the licensee or of any other person as is necessary to decide whether or not to grant an approval.

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## **Limits on Relocation**

### I. Distance from Current Licensed Location

- Level I – relocations involved proposed move of less than five (5) km from current licensed location
- Level II - relocations involve a proposed move of five (5) or more km from current licensed location within the facility's current catchment zone
- Level III – relocations involve a proposed move of five (5) or more km from the current licensed location to a location outside of the facility's current catchment zone.

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- Level III relocation **will only** be considered when the movement **is from** a catchment zone that is over-serviced or adequately serviced for the licenses modalities **to a** catchment zone that is considered to be underserviced for the same licensed modalities.
- The determination of whether an area is underserviced, over-serviced or adequately serviced will be **based on ministry data.**





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- Catchment Zone for the purpose of IHF's is an Ontario town or city with a population greater than 100,000.
- For towns with a population 100,000 or less, the catchment zone is the township/municipality in which the town is located.
- The IHFP will contact the relevant region of Ontario Health/IHF to request information about any anticipated impact of the relocation.



## CONCLUSION

I would like support from the city and county council for my proposal, and assistance lobbying higher levels of government including local MPP.

Start up costs assistance including License financing, Capital Equipment and Lease/Retrofitting

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# THANK YOU



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Dear Ms. Willoughby,

My name is Dr. Michael Stefanos. Radiologist at Headwaters in Orangeville.


I have been in correspondence with the local family health team offices including their lead Dr. Catania and regional Ontario Health leads.

I would be interested in appearing before counsel as a delegate to do a presentation regarding my intentions to provide diagnostic imaging services in Shelburne.

I will be seeking assistance in getting appropriate approvals and exploring other means of support from the city of Shelburne.

Please feel free to contact me directly on my below mobile number to discuss things further/next steps.

Best Regards,

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to support the expansion of diagnostic imaging to Shelburne, ON. As the Medical Director of Dufferin Oaks Long Term Care Home and Shelburne Long Term Care Home & Retirement Community, as well as a practicing Family Physician in the community, I can personally attest to the need for diagnostic imaging in our city.

Our clinic alone serves over 6000 patients, and many must travel at least 25 minutes to the closest imaging center. During the winter months, this is exceedingly more difficulty due to severe weather and frequent road closures. The need for urgent imaging is a frequent reason for sending many of our Long Term Care residents to the local emergency department—having diagnostic imaging available locally would greatly help reduce the burden on these already over-crowded hospitals.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'G. Soor', is located below the text 'Kindest regards,'.

Dr Gursharan Soor